GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6141
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MISUSE OF SECURITY RELATED EXPENDITURE
MOHAN RAWALE

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Comptroller and Auditor General has criticised the Government of Jammu & Kashmir regarding absence of proper control mechanism, inadequate coordination, poor monitoring over statement of expenditure and diversion and misuse of funds allocated for security related expenditure;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)&(b): As informed by the State Government, the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) has submitted its report pertaining to Government of J&K for the period 1996-2001. This report was tabled, as required in normal course, in the State Legislature during the recent Budget Session. Subsequently, observations of the CAG pertaining to Security Related Expenditure were reported in some of the local newspapers along with observations pertaining to other Departments of the State Government. The general observations, such as absence of proper control mechanism, inadequate coordination, poor monitoring, overstatement of expenditure and diversion and misuse of funds, etc have been picked up by the media from different paragraphs. Observations of the CAG are under examination of the concerned Departments of the State Government, who will apprise the Accountant General of the factual position in respect of each observation, with the request to drop the paragraphs where the position can be explained to the satisfaction of the CAG. This process will take some time. The paragraphs in whose respect the CAG is not satisfied shall be taken up by the Public Accounts Committee of the State Legislature in due course, as per the laid down procedure.

(c): Government has asked State Government to share the observations related to Security Related Expenditure made by the CAG in his report submitted to State Government and the reactions of the State Government on the said observations.